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In re Application of

Patel et al.

Application No.: 1**Q**/522,576 PCT No.: PCT/US04/33736

Int. Filing Date: 14 October 2004 Priority Date: 14 October 2003 Attorney Docket No.: 070602-0568

For:

Precision Attitude Control

System For Gimbaled Thruster

**DECISION** 

This is in response to the "Third Request For Corrected 371(c) Date And Corrected Filing Receipt" filed on 11 July 2007.

## **BACKGROUND**

This international application was filed on 14 October 2004, claimed an earliest priority date of 14 October 2003, and designated the United States. Consequently, the thirty month period for payment of the basic national fee in the United States expired as of midnight on 14 April 2006. On 28 January 2005, applicants filed *inter alia* the basic national fee.

On 16 November 2005, a Notice of Acceptance (Form PCT/DO/EO/903) was mailed to applicants, indicating the date of receipt of U.S.C. 371(c)(1), (2) and (4) requirements to be "04/28/2005."

## DISCUSSION

## Petitioner urges that

all requirements under 35 U.S.C. § 371 are believed to have been completed on January 28, 2006, not April 28, 2006. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request a corrected Notice of Acceptance which identifies January 28, 2005, as the date of receipt of the 35 U.S.C. 371(c)(1), (c)(2) and (c)(4) requirements, as well as a corrected Filing Receipt which reflects the correct 371(c) receipt date.

Review of the application file reveals that applicants satisfied the requirements of 35 U.S.C. 371(c)(1), (2) and (4) on 28 January 2005. Therefore, the Notice of Acceptance (Form PCT/DO/EO/903) mailed on 16 November 2005 was defective, and it is hereby **VACATED**.

## CONCLUSION

The request is **GRANTED**.

This application is being returned to the National Stage Processing Branch for further processing. Its date under 35 U.S.C. 371(c)(1)/(2) and (4) is 28 January 2005.

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